

Priority Rail and Highway Requirements - Hungary

It is suggested that these questions be asked of all former non-operating transportation personnel, all former operating transportation personnel employed at office level or higher (including all transportation engineers), and all personnel formerly employed at the ministerial level in other ministries dealing with economic matters.

A. Transportation rates and costs

1. What are the policy objectives underlying transportation rate making in Hungary?
2. What is the relationship between freight rates and transport costs in general? By carrier? By commodity group?
3. To what extent are particular freight rates employed as means of fostering or discouraging use of particular modes of transport?
4. To what extent are particular freight rates employed as a means of influencing location of industry?
5. Can source obtain a copy of the official Hungarian freight tariff? Can he obtain freight tariffs of other Bloc countries?
6. Can source obtain an operating statement for the Hungarian railways or other transportation agencies?

B. Traffic and Operations

1. How reliable are official announcements of transportation performance?
2. Do any of the transport agencies circulate traffic and operational data within the Ministry of Transport? If so, does source have access to this information?
3. Can source provide annual figures for post-war years on the following (railroad):
 - a. passenger and net and/or gross ton-kilometers (by commodity),
 - b. passenger and tons originated (by commodity),
 - c. daily or yearly carloadings (by commodity),
 - d. average length of haul (by commodity),
 - e. freight car turnaround time,
 - f. average net load per car (by commodity),
 - g. average net load per train,
 - h. daily kilometers performed by locomotives.

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4. Can source provide annual figures for post-war years on the following (highway):

- a. passenger and ton-kilometers (by commodity),
- b. passengers and tons hauled (by commodity),
- c. average load per vehicle,
- d. average length of haul (by commodity),
- e. daily kilometers performed by trucks,
- f. operable days per truck per year.

C. Rolling stock and vehicle park

1. Do any of the transport agencies circulate inventory data within the Ministry of Transport. If so, does source have access to this data?

2. How many locomotives are there in Hungary (electric, steam, diesel)? Freight cars (by type and capacity)? Passenger cars? Trucks (by type and capacity).

3. What percentage of total locomotive inventory is operable? Freight car inventory? Truck inventory?

4. What percentage of total locomotive inventory is normally kept in reserve? Freight cars?

5. What percentage of total locomotive stock is retired annually? Freight cars? Trucks?

6. What is present production of locomotives (by type)? Freight cars (by type and capacity)? Trucks (by type and capacity)?

- a. What is the planned production?
- b. How much of the present production is exported? To whom?

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